

# City Hall News

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## Message from the City Manager

As I near my second year with the City of Santa Clara, I continue to be awed by the engagement and excitement of our community. To support and continue this momentum, we at the City do everything we can to make sure there's something for everyone. That means there's a lot happening in Santa Clara this fall! Our 39th Annual Art & Wine Festival just wrapped up, the returning Parade of Champions is on Sept. 28, and the everincredible Santa Clara City Library Comic Con will be on Oct. 12 at Central Library, with plenty more in between!

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#### Magic Happening in Santa Clara

On Sept. 19, the City of Santa Clara and the Magical Bridge Foundation announced an agreement to bring the innovative all-access and inclusive Magical Bridge Playground to Santa Clara's Central Park. With \$1.8 million in City of Santa Clara funds and a generous \$1.7 million grant from Santa Clara County, the Magical Bridge Foundation will identify donors, philanthropists and companies to secure the remaining \$1 million to make this playground a reality. Read more about the project from the news release.

One in every four Americans today lives with a visible or invisible disability, making it one of the largest groups in the country and growing daily. Magical Bridge Playgrounds are designed to be both physically and socially inclusive for children and adults of varying physical and cognitive abilities. Find out more at









## New Minimum Wage Starts 1/1/2020

Effective Jan. 1, 2020, the City of Santa Clara's minimum wage will increase to \$15.40 per hour. Employers who are subject to the Santa Clara business license tax or who maintain a facility in Santa Clara will be required to pay each employee who performs at least two (2) hours of work per week in Santa Clara a wage of at least \$15.40 per hour. The 2020 Minimum Wage posters for the workplace will be posted on the City's Minimum Wage webpage no later than Friday, Dec. 6, 2019. The City's minimum wage is adjusted annually based on the regional Consumer Price Index (CPI). For additional information regarding the Santa Clara Minimum Wage Ordinance, visit

<u>SantaClaraCA.gov/minimumwage</u>, or call the City Manager's Office at 408-615-2210 or email minimumwage@santaclaraca.gov.



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#### 39th Art & Wine Festival a Success

The City celebrated another successful Art & Wine Festival on Sept. 14 and 15, 2019! The event supported local nonprofit and charitable programs. Sales were brisk, particularly on Saturday, and the community enjoyed the music, art and good time with family and friends. This year, the event included a new youth entrepreneur space in Kids Kingdom where local children had their handmade creations on display for sale. Several City services were on hand to share new initiatives and provide information, including a special table about the upcoming 2020 Census, where over 150 kids helped decorate the City's upcoming float in the Parade of Champions on Sept. 28!

A special thanks to Commissioners, City staff and all our volunteers! The Parks & Recreation Commission will be evaluating and incorporating improvements for next year's 40th anniversary.





## **Upcoming Events in Santa Clara**

Check out some of these great events in Santa Clara! Please note that this is not a comprehensive list of all events provided by the City of Santa Clara—for a complete list, visit SantaClaraCA.gov/

#### **SEPTEMBER**

- City Council meeting—Sept. 24 at 6 p.m. in Council Chambers
- Charter Review Committee Public Input Session—Sept. 26 at 7 p.m. at Mission Branch Library
- SCPD Talk and Tour—Sept. 26 at 7 p.m. at Police Building (601 El Camino Real)
- Parade of Champions—Sept. 28 at 11 a.m.
  (Festivities start at 9 a.m.) near Franklin Square

#### **OCTOBER**

- National Coffee with a Cop Day—Oct. 2 at 8 a.m., Sara's Kitchen (1595 Franklin St.)
- Downtown Community Task Force Meeting— Oct. 2 at 6 p.m. in Council Chambers (rescheduled from 9/12)
- Cemetery Volunteer Maintenance Day—Oct. 5 at 8 a.m. at 420 N. Winchester Blvd.

#### **OCTOBER** (cont.)

- Firehouse Family Fair—Oct. 5 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
  Training Center 1900 Walsh Ave.
- City Council meeting—Oct. 8 at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers
- Comic Con—Oct. 12 at 10 a.m. at Central Park Library
- Columbus Day Holiday—Oct. 14 (City Hall closed)
- Charter Review Committee Public Input Session—Oct. 17 at 7 p.m. at Northside Branch Library
- Special City Council meeting—Oct. 22 at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers
- City Council meeting—Oct. 29 at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers
- Downtown Community Task Force Meeting— Oct. 30 at 6 p.m. in Council Chambers

### **Swim Center Update**

The new boiler has been installed at the International Swim Center. The water temperature is expected to reach the recommended temperature range and the pool will reopen for Santa Clara Swim Club programming on Thursday, Sept. 19. Senior Swim program and Noon Swim program will remain at Warburton Pool for the remainder of the week, returning to the International Swim Center on Monday, Sept. 23. For more information, call the Santa Clara Swim Club at 408-246-5050.



#### **Families Learning Together**

September is National Literacy Month! Read Santa Clara, the adult and family literacy program of the Santa Clara City Library, trains volunteers to provide free tutoring to adults who speak English but need help with basic reading and writing skills. This past year, 1,857 parents and children participated in science activities at family literacy events at the library.

These events were held at the library, pre-school classes at Scott Lane and Montague Elementary Schools, Home Safe Santa Clara (housing for domestic violence survivors), and the Family Resource Center of the Santa Clara Unified School District. To learn more, call 408-615-2956 or email readsantaclara@santaclaraca.gov.



### Santa Clara Stadium Authority Vote

Santa Clara Stadium Authority Votes to Terminate the Forty Niners as its Stadium Manager for Non-NFL Operations at Levi's® Stadium: At the Sept. 17 Stadium Authority special meeting, the Board voted 6-0 in closed session to initiate termination of the management agreement with the Forty Niners Stadium Management Company, LLC (Forty Niners) for non-NFL operations and non-NFL events. The Forty Niners as the Stadium Manager has made misrepresentations, failed to comply with laws and the contract, violated prevailing wage laws, and mismanaged operations resulting in declining non-NFL net revenues. A news conference was held in Council Chambers the next day.

Read the complete news release and view the termination letter at SantaClaraCA.gov/news. For more information, contact the City Manager's Office at 408-615-2210.



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## **Green Business Award for Public Works**

On Sept. 10, the Department of Public Works staff received a commendation from the County of Santa Clara in recognition of their efforts in attaining Green Business Certification at the corporation yard. The Green Business Program is part of a statewide Green Business network that recognizes organizations that have incorporated environmentally sound practices into their business operations. To find out more about the program and how your business can become Green Business certified, visit SantaClaraCA.gov/GreenBiz.



## City Recruits from Local Universities





The City will be participating in several job fairs at San Jose State University on Sept. 26 and Santa Clara University on Oct. 2, to provide information on careers in the public sector, internship opportunities and entry level positions in the City. The Civil Service Commissioners will have an opportunity to partner and participate in these job fairs with the City. For more information, contact Human Resources at 408-615-2080.

## Coming Soon...





Franklin Square area Festivities at 9 a.m. & parade at 11 a.m.



Santa Clara Library Comic Con Central Park Library Sat, Oct. 12, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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